

*Extract of 2 Letter written to the Publisher, concerning a  
Factitious Stony matter or Paste, shining in the dark  
like a glowing Coal, after it hath been a little while ex-  
posed to the Day- or Candle-light.*

Clarissimo Viro

Domino Henrico Oldenburgio, Illustrissimæ Soc. Regiæ Seer,

Salutem & observantiam

*Christianus Adolphus Balduinus.*

— *Quanquam elapso proximè anno officiosissimè scriptas  
tuas literas testari continuò debuissem quanti fa-  
cerem, religioni tamen duxi id facere, antequam Phosphorum  
meum modis omnibus absolutum darem conficerémque: Quod  
cum non multò ante præstiterim, ecce Tibi eundem in theca  
argentea inaurata; quem, ceu munus exiguum, si fas sit petere à  
Te, bumillimâ subiectione deferre velis cum ipsi Regiæ Majestati  
tanquam Fundatori & Patrono Societatis Vestræ, in primis;  
tum verò Ejusdem Praesidi Illustrissimo, ceterisque Assessoribus  
& Collegiis gravissimus; nihilque intermittere velis, quodcunque  
vel Clementia Regiæ, vel Favori tantorum Virorum conciliando  
facere arbitreris. Latet in Phosphoro isto ignis & luminis Naturæ  
realis scintilla, imò secretissima anima, proindeque intrinsecus  
atque invisibilis Sopborum ignis, visibilem Solis ignem magneticā  
ratione attrahens, splendorēmque ipsius vicissim in Tenebris emit-  
tens ejaculansque. Quo istud accedit non minus mirum, Signa-  
turam nempe Solis contineri in Universali isto Magnete unde  
confectus idem ille Phosphorus est; quod quidem ex adjuncto*

*Schemate Phænomeni \* ( per dies*

\* Hoc phænomenon repre- aliquot durante) liquidissimè patet.  
sentat in vase vitro complures  
imagines Solis, majores, minorcs; in quas materia, ab Authore nostro adhibita, ju-  
cundissimo, ut videtur, spectaculo, abiisse conspecta sunt.

Atque

*Atque inde non est, quod subiecto isto uti desistam in Chymicis  
meis laboribus continuandis, quod multò majora mihi propediem  
dignioraque ex se spondeat, quorumque magis arcana ratio.  
De quibus omnibus, philosophicā consuetudine, Societati Illustris-  
tissime relaturus per literas sum quæcunque certis Experimentis  
comperero. Servet te Deus, & me porro affectu tuo complectere.*  
Scrib. Haynæ, d. 1. Sept. 1676.

**T**HIS Present being, according to the tenour of this Letter, presented to his *Majesty*, and afterwards to the *R. Society*, it fully justified the generous Presenter in the Experiment, made before them both, at several times; and that not only by Day-light, even when the Weather was gloomy and misty, but also by the Flame of a Candle. And 'tis hoped, that the said Presenter will so far extend his generosity, when he shall understand the gracious acceptance his Present had with the Royal Founder of our Philosophical Company, and the pleasure, it gave to the Gentlemen that compose it, as to impart to them the way of preparing the same; to be Recorded in their Register books, as a perpetual Monument of his ingenuity and frankness.

*An Account*